



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## Santa Ana Region



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### APPLICATION FOR CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY STANDARDS CERTIFICATION FOR "THE COTTAGES" AT LAKE ELSINORE, CITY OF LAKE ELSINORE, RIVERSIDE COUNTY

Dear Mr. Brown:

On September 18, 2008, Regional Board staff received three applications for Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Standards Certification ("Certification") submitted on your behalf by Harmsworth Associates. The applications were for discharges related to "The Cottages" at Lake Elsinore, the "Enhancement Site" in the Lake Elsinore back basin, and the "Marina". All three projects are collectively known as WatersEdge, with the Enhancement Site proposed, in part, as compensatory mitigation for water quality impacts and flood capacity due to the other two projects.

Because The Cottages portion of the WatersEdge project is not subject to a federal permit or license, a Certification is not required. Therefore, the submitted application is not necessary and no action will be taken on it. Action on the applications for the Marina and the Enhancement Site will be taken under separate cover.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Adelson at (951) 782-3234 or Adam Fischer at (951) 320-6363.

Sincerely,

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